Nuclear Tactics Study Subject For Officers

Nuclear weapons for defence and attack will be studied at a special army tactics course starting today in Victoria.

Some 100 junior army officers from 1st Battalion PPCLI, Vancouver, Vernon and Chilliwack will attend. The course ends Feb. 27.

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Names in the News

Show-Trial Major Wins New Hearing

HAVANA — Death sentence against ex-Maj. **Jesus Sosa Blanco**, convicted of war crimes Jan. 23 in a public trial, was set aside and he has been granted a new trial.

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OTTAWA — Canadian Club of Ottawa has written off Antarctic explorer **Sir Vivian Fuchs** as a potential speaker because he's too long-winded.

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HAVANA—**Fidel Castro** says he regretted he had to take over as premier of Cuba but the welfare of the country demanded it.

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PORTLAND — Democratic representative **Charles Porter** says **Fulgencio Batista** gave $1,000,000 to **Rafael Trujillo** after taking refuge in the Dominican Republic.

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WASHINGTON — **Mildred Gillars**, 57, "Axis Sally" in Second World War, has waived an opportunity for an early parole after nearly 10 years of her-10-to-30-year sentence for treason. No reason was given.

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NEW ORLEANS—**Dorothy Lamour** has disclosed that she settled out of court her $1,000,000 suit against a Miami, Fla., hotel, where she suffered a knee injury.

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PACIFIC PALISADES, Cal. —Actor **Richard Boone's** ranch-style home has been swept by fire. It was unoccupied.

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PARIS—**Roger Vadim**, who catapulted **Brigitte Bardot** to stardom, has cancelled the contract of a budding 14-year-old English starlet as a result of Paris' "Rose Ballet" sex scandals involving teen-age girls.

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TORONTO — **Thomas Laird Kennedy**, 80, a grass-roots politician whose 55 years of public life were highlighted by a seven-month term as premier of Ontario, died Friday night.

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MADRID — **Gen. Francisco Franco** is reported facing growing opposition from relatives of dead to his plan to transfer the bodies of the victims of the Spanish Civil War to new $25,000,000 memorial in nearby Guararrama Mountains.

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MOSCOW — West Coast labor leader **Harry Bridges** says that Soviet trade union elections were "more democratic than many American ones."

Court Parade

$1,000 Bail Posted

Released on $1,000 bail in city police court yesterday was Elmer V. Finland, 948 Old Esquimalt Road, who asked and received a remand until Wednesday on a forgery charge.

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Fined $25 each, when they pleaded guilty to causing a disturbance by fighting at 2.35 a.m. Saturday on Fisgard, were Clifford George Carson, Work Point Barracks, and Stanley Levy, no fixed address.

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More U.S. Bases Here?

OTTAWA (CP)—The U.S. apparently plans to ask Canada for the use of bases in this country for a new American jet interceptor now under development.

Two U.S. officials, Air Secretary James Douglas and Gen. Thomas White, chief of the Air Force, have already told the U.S. Senate armed services committee that the new 2,000-miles-an-hour interceptor, the F-108, will "police" the DEW line in the Canadian Arctic.

As well as being able to detect hostile bombers, the DEW line can control the operations of interceptors. However, at present, there are no interceptor squadrons based in the Canadian Arctic or sub-Arctic.

Douglas and White also said the F-108 will be able "to go out and obtain intelligence on an enemy attack and to begin destruction of attacking aircraft long before they reach our borders or the population centres of Canada."

They said there is a "clear and pressing military requirement" for the twin-engine, two-man F-108. The F-108 and the Bomarc anti-aircraft missile would "complement each other."

U.S. determination to proceed with development of a new interceptor which would operate largely over Canada has led to speculation here that the plane may be built in Canada under licence, with the U.S. paying the major part of the cost.

Iran 'Two-Faced' Russians Charge

MOSCOW (AP) — Pravda warned Iran yesterday of the "dire consequences" of its pro-Western policy.

The Soviet government had previously charged that a "two-faced insincere policy" on the part of Iran led to the breakdown of negotiations with the Soviet Union for a non-aggression pact.

The Communist party organ says of Iran's pro-Western stand: "Such a course will lead to no good. A similar policy did not help the king of Iraq and his clique."

Pro-Western King Faisal of Iraq was killed in the revolt in that country last July.

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